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***HOLD FIRM
TO THE
SCHOLARS***



بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Let us altogether strive to increase our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His

prohibitions. With firm *imaan* (faith), may we attain the pleasure of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, hence becoming His successful slaves in this world and the Hereafter.

On this noble day, I will discuss upon on a *khutbah* titled ...



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The Islamic teachings brought by Rasulullah ﷺ is based upon divine revelation from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. After Rasulullah's death, the noble work of *da'wah* (calling to Islam) was

continued by the
Companions, the
taabi'een (successors of
the Companions), the
taabi' at-taabi'een
(successors of the
taabi'een), and then the
scholars after them.

They explored the entire world to ensure that the *ni'mah* (bounty) of *imaan* and Islam are enjoyed by all mankind.

However, now the general public including a handful of Muslims are brazen in disputing the role of the *'ulamaa'* (scholars). Moreover, they even stooped low to insult and belittle the dignity of

the scholars. They even rejected the scholarly interpretation by erudite classical scholars. For them, it is sufficient with the intellect (*'aql*) alone, and that it is an individual's right to

**interpret al-Qur'an
himself.**

**Not stopping there, they
stated that the role of
scholars does not exist in
Islam. Furthermore,**

proponents of the anti-*hadeeth* sect had stated that the very concept of '*ulamaa*' was taken from Hinduism and Christianity.

Who is actually deemed as an *'ulamaa'*? What are the characteristics for the one considered as *'ulamaa'*? According to *Kamus Dewan* (reputed Malay dictionary), *'ulamaa'* means a person

who is *ahli* (an expert) in Islamic sciences. The expertise of a particular scholar is acknowledged by other scholars of equivalent status or higher level in knowledge.

Rasulullah ﷺ also had explained on who is to be deemed as *'ulamaa'*. As mentioned in the *hadeeth* of Abu ad-Dardaa' *radiyAllaahu 'anh*,
Rasulullah ﷺ stated:

“Indeed the scholars are the heirs of the Prophets, and the Prophets do not leave behind Dinar or Dirham. The only legacy of the scholars is knowledge, so whoever takes from it, then he has indeed taken a great share.”

(at-Tirmidhi)

Based on this *hadeeth*, it clearly indicates that the word '*ulamaa*' was explicitly mentioned by the Prophet ﷺ. This proves the existence of scholars and they do have roles in Islam,

not cooked up and
duplicated from other
religions.

Indeed, one who is
deemed as an '*ulamaa*' is
a person who has

mastered various sciences within Islam such as *tawheed*, *tafseer*, *hadeeth*, *fiqh*, *tasawwuf*, and others. For example, the four *imaams* of the *madhaahib* (schools of thought), namely

**al-Imaam Abu Haneefah,
al-Imaam Maalik, al-
Imaam Ahmad bin
Hanbal, and al-Imaam
ash-Shaafi'i, including al-
Imaam Abu Hasan al-
Ash'ari and al-Imaam al-
Ghazzaali whom**

**were prominent
scholars.**

**They were true scholars
who feared Allah
*Subhaanahu Wa
Ta'aala.***

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 28 of soorah Faatir that was recited in the beginning of the *khutbah*:

“...Only those fear Allah, from among His servants, who have knowledge...”

An *'ulamaa'* is measured based on his knowledge and his level of *taqwa*. His knowledge is based on the primary sources in Islam, which are al-Qur'an, *as-Sunnah*, *ijmaa'* (consensus), and

qiyaas (deductive analogy). A learned scholar will not speak purely based on his desire, intellect, and emotions.

In Islam, the *'ulamaa'* has a lofty status for the responsibility that they shoulder is enormous. Their very task was inherited from the prophets. They are burdened with the duty

of explaining what is good and bad, what is truth and falsehood. Everything conveyed must be based on the teachings of al-Qur'an and *as-Sunnah*.

Islam teaches its adherents to respect and observe proper *adab* (etiquette) when interacting with the scholars. The '*ulamaa*' are respected and revered not because

of their holiness and infallibility (*ma'soom*), but due to their level of knowledge. Among the *adab* that must be observed are:

- 1. Accepting their advice and criticism in matters of obedience.**
- 2. Accompanying the scholars so as to increase one's knowledge and attaining *barakah* (blessings).**

- 3. Avoid the attitude of being argumentative, disputing, or opposing the *'ulamaa'*.**
- 4. Avoid from uttering words that are offensive.**
- 5. To speak well and rebuke with wisdom.**

It must be realized that knowledge originates from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. It will be conveyed to His sincere slaves. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* will take back the knowledge that was

lent to His slaves through
the death of the scholars.
In the end, mankind will
take as their reference
the ignorant ones, leading
them to misguidance.

Rasulullah ﷺ had
mentioned such matter

that will be taking place,
as in the narration of
'Abdullah bin 'Amr
radiyAllaahu 'anhuma,
where he عليه السلام said:

“Verily, Allah does not take away the knowledge by taking it away from the people, but takes it away by the death of the religious learned men till when none of them remains, people will

take as their leaders ignorant persons who when consulted will give their verdict without knowledge. So they will go astray and will lead the people astray.”

(al-Bukhaari)

To end the *khutbah* today, I would like to remind all of us to derive lessons from the following matters:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty that accompanying and honoring the scholars will increase their *imaan* in Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

2. The Muslim *ummah* must seek knowledge through a teacher, by studying with distinguished scholars.


3. It is *waajib*
(obligatory) upon the
Muslim *ummah* to
observe proper *adab*
when interacting with
the scholars.

“And whoever opposes the Messenger after guidance has become clear to him and follows other than the way of the believers - We will give him what he has taken and drive him into Hell, and evil it is as a destination.”


(an-Nisaa' 4:115)




**THE SECOND
KHUTBAH**




**Let us unite upon the basis
of authentic Islamic
'aqeedah that is certain and
solidified. Let us unite upon
any situations, firmly united
facing any circumstances**



**and enemy's threat,
whether hidden or
apparent. The unity of the
Muslim *ummah* is the
foundational strength
towards the nurturing of**




***Khayra Ummah* (the best nation). Muslims are entitled to have differing views, what more in worldly matters, but the Muslim *ummah* must continue to**



**unite in *fikrah* (thoughts)
and understanding
according to the guidelines
of the *kalimah* (phrase)**


**لا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ, affirmative
principles within al-Qur'an**




**and *al-Hadeeth*, as well as
sound Islamic brotherhood
principles.**




In our effort to break the chain of Covid-19, it necessitates every masjid attendee to remain disciplined and that it is *waajib* (obligatory) to abide




by the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) that has been outlined by JALS (Selangor Islamic Religious Department) specifically in performing the




***wudoo'* (ablution) at home, bringing one's own prayer mat, wearing the face mask while at the Masjid and *Surau*, and practicing social distancing.**



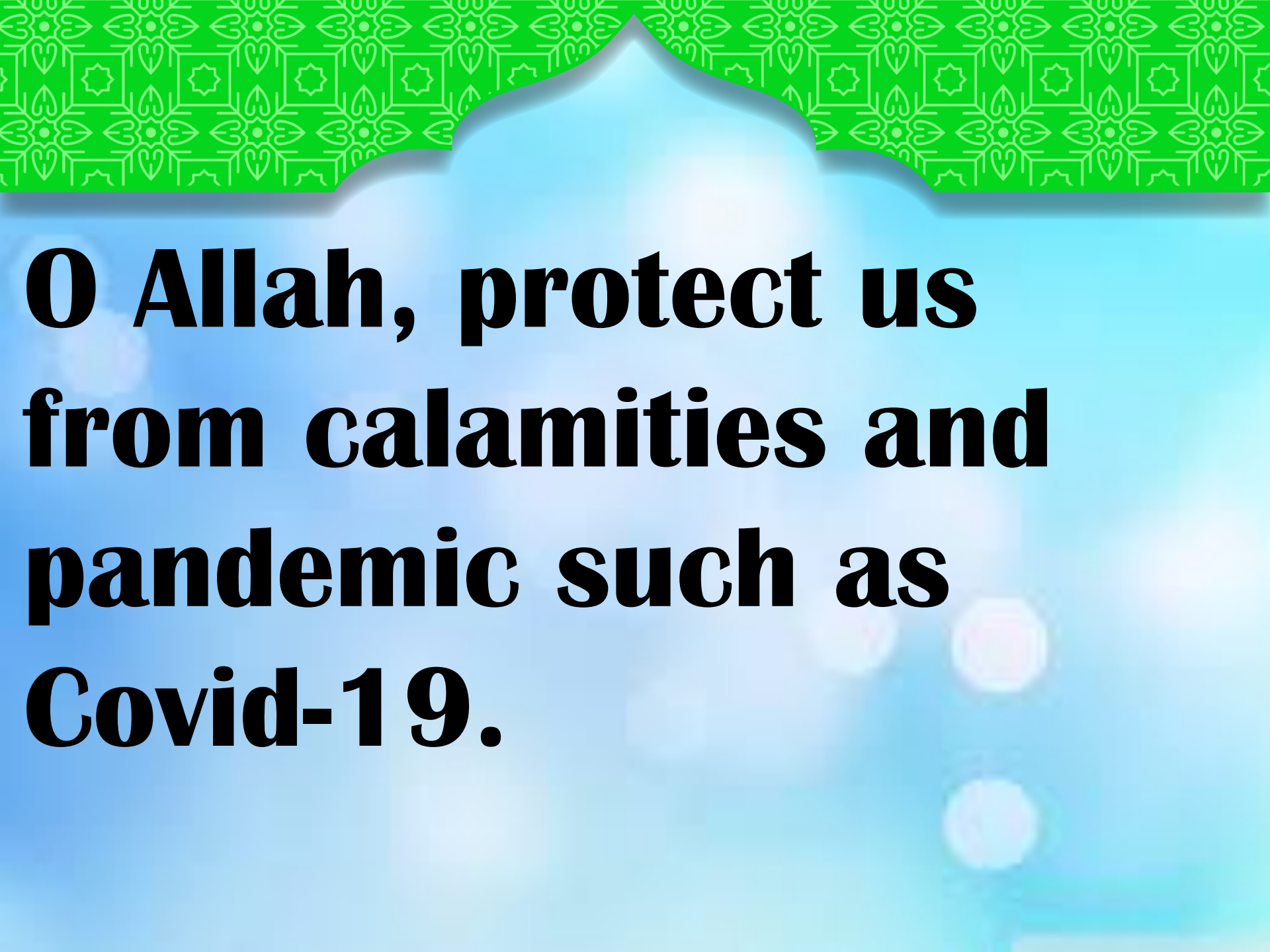
**Those that are unhealthy
or unwell are prohibited
from performing *salaah*
in the Masjid and *Surau*.**



**O Allah, You are the Lord
that is All Mighty, we are
grateful to You for having
bestowed upon us *rahmah*
and blessings upon this
state that continues to**



**prosper and progress, and
that its residents remain
united, under the auspices
and leadership of our Ruler
as the Head of Islamic
affairs in this state.**



**O Allah, protect us
from calamities and
pandemic such as
Covid-19.**



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DISEDIAKAN OLEH**

**unit khutbah
bahagian pengurusan masjid**